

ESTABLISHED 1863

Chase-Bros.



Pianos.

MAY GET ONE CONTRACT

Superintendent Post, of Newport News Ship-Building Company, Very Hopeful.

NEW COMMANDANT AT FORT

Fully Equipped Torpedo Found on the Beach of Government Reservation.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

NEWPORT NEWS, VA., Jan. 16.—Superintendent Walter A. Post, of the Newport News Ship-Building and Dry Dock Company, returned to-day from Washington, and was very hopeful that the Newport News yard would get the contract for one of the new battleships.

"Our bid has been incorrectly published," he said. "The figures we submitted were \$3,147,000. The Cramps underbid us on their double bid, but we had the lowest single bid. They bid \$3,200,000 on a single vessel and \$2,955,000 each on two vessels. I can state that unless the Cramps are awarded the contract for both ships, which is possible, but not probable, we will build one of the vessels."

NEW COMMANDANT.

It was stated at Fort Monroe to-day that Major Cummings is now commandant of the fort in the place of Colonel John Story, who has been promoted to the rank of brigadier-general and placed in the command of the artillery, with headquarters in Washington.

There was a rumor at the fort to-day that Colonel Story had been appointed successor to Colonel Story. This could not be confirmed. On the other hand, it was learned that a petition is being circulated at the fort for the appointment of Colonel Davis.

FOUND A TORPEDO.

Captain John Burns, of the steam launch Hygeia, to-day found on the beach of the reservation at Old Point a complete torpedo, fourteen feet long, with propeller firing cap and everything complete. Where the torpedo came from is a mystery, but it is supposed that it fell overboard from one of the torpedo boats, which have been maneuvering in this section for some time. How long it had been afloat or how near it had come to blowing up some of the many steamships plying in Hampton Roads are matters of conjecture.

The naval station at Norfolk was notified of the find, and this afternoon a torpedo boat was sent over to Old Point and the torpedo was taken on board.

## TO-DAY WITH CHURCHES

Interesting Services in Many. Two Successful Revivals in Progress.

WELCOME THE NEW PASTOR

Attractive General Meeting This Afternoon at Randolph Street Baptist Church.

Services of special interest will be held in many of the Richmond churches to-day.

The crowds that have been attending the meetings conducted by Evangelist R. D. Garland at the Grace Street Church, have been large and deeply interested.

Mr. Garland is exceedingly pungent and powerful in his handling of the Scriptures. He will preach at both services to-day and every afternoon and evening throughout the week. He will speak to the Sunday school this morning. Services to-morrow and the days following at 4 and 8 P. M.

Dr. Young will fill his pulpit at Centenary M. E. Church to-day as usual. His morning subject will be "Worship, the Supreme Act of the Soul." In the evening Dr. Young will draw some "Lessons From the Life of Robert E. Lee."

Two deacons will be ordained in the Randolph Street Baptist Church this morning, the pastor, Rev. W. D. Robertson, presiding over the exercises. The new pastor, Mr. Robertson will be formally welcomed this afternoon at 3:30 o'clock. Dr. Cooper will preside and addresses will be delivered by Rev. C. P. Stealey, Rev. D. A. Bolly and others. The revival services at the West End Christian Church will be continued this evening by the pastor, Rev. Henry Pearce Atkins. The usual services will occur to-day.

Rev. J. W. West, field secretary of the Anti-Saloon League of Virginia, will preach at Marshall Street Christian Church to-night at 8 o'clock.

Mr. West is well known throughout Virginia as an eloquent and aggressive temperance man, and a large hearing is anticipated for him at to-night's meeting.

The regular meeting of Men's Christian Club, which was postponed from January 11th, on account of the weather, will be held in the lecture room of Leigh Street Baptist Church to-morrow night at 8:30 o'clock. As this is the first meeting of the year, a full attendance is especially requested. The business meeting will be followed by refreshments and a pleasant evening in the club room.

Rev. Mark Levi will preach this morning at the Hope Memorial Church. The pastor, Rev. James E. Cook, will speak in the evening on the "Breath of Time."

COMMITTEE MEETINGS.

Important Gatherings at the City Hall This Week.

There will be a large number of important committee meetings at the City Hall during the coming week. Most of the meetings will be regular ones, and will dispose of routine business for the most part, but in many of them the question of needs for the new year will be considered.

The Finance Committee will meet on Tuesday at 8 o'clock, and will take up matters preliminary to the budget, which will be made up by February 1st.

The following committees are scheduled to meet during the week:

Monday, 8 P. M., Committee on Poor and Health.

Tuesday, 8 P. M., Finance.

Wednesday, 8 P. M., Ordinances and General Improvement.

Thursday, 8 P. M., Grounds and Buildings.

## "77" GRIP

Prevents Pneumonia.

Pneumonia is due to exposure to chill while heated, and if the system is not in good tone the liability is increased.

First there is a general bad feeling, followed by headache, chill and vomiting. The worst thing about Pneumonia is that the patient does not usually suspect the disease until the third day, when there is marked fever and pain in breathing, in eating and in drinking.

Humphreys' "77" breaks up Colds, knocks out Grip and prevents Pneumonia. At Druggists, 25 cents.

Medicine mailed free.

Humphreys' Med. Co., corner William &amp; John Streets, New York.

## ROB BANK OF ROCKY MOUNT

Burglars Blow Open the Safe and Secure \$2,000 in Silver.

A POSSE GOES IN PURSUIT

Bank Will Not be Loner, as If Is Insured Against Loss of This Kind.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

ROCKY MOUNT, VA., Jan. 16.—The First National Bank of Rocky Mount was entered last night by burglars. The entrance was effected from a side door in an alley, near Rakes' saloon.

The vault has two sections, the rear section being reserved for currency. The front section contained about two thousand dollars in specie, gold and silver.

The robbers blew the door off of the front section of the vault and secured the booty, \$2,000.

There were two explosions of dynamite before the work of the cracksmen was accomplished, the last occurring about 4 o'clock in the morning. This last report was heard by the Mayor of the town, whose residence is obliquely across the street from the bank. He also saw the flashing of lanterns around the bank and concluded that something was wrong. He immediately sought the sergeant, who resides next by, and these two went down to the bank, but the birds had flown.

Several suspicious characters were noticed around town yesterday, who are supposed to be a part of an organized gang of thieves going through the country. It is difficult to understand how they can safely get away with the coin, the weight of which would be immense. The only safe course they could pursue would be to bury the large part of it and return and get it at some future time.

Sheffield D. A. Nicholson organized a posse as soon as possible after the robbery and started in pursuit of the robbers.

The bank is closed to-day to await the arrival of the president, Judge Woods, of Roanoke, but will be open for business on Monday. The bank loses nothing, its loss or any loss it might sustain being fully protected by insurance.

Richmonders in New York.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) NEW YORK, Jan. 16.—Fifth Avenue, S. Chevrolet, W. A. W. Travers, Park Avenue, Mrs. B. B. Munford, Marlborough, S. J. Binswanger.

## THE WORKS ARE USEFUL

A Building Already Enveloped in Flames Is Saved Promptly by the New Fire Service.

TWO PROMINENT MEN DIE

Mr. Edwin C. Epps and Mr. W. A. Dupuy, Confederate Veterans, Pass Away.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) BLACKSTONE, VA., Jan. 16.—The first practical test of the water system, which was installed about ten months ago, as a means for fighting fire was had early on Sunday morning, when the store of M. B. Crowder caught fire about 5 o'clock. The reason for the fire was satisfactory, as the fire had gained considerable headway before the department was notified. The response was prompt, and the work done by them was truly gratifying. When the firemen arrived the entire inside of the store was ablaze, and the flames were breaking out through the sides. It was only a few moments before the fire was under control and soon put out entirely.

The only explanation as to the origin of the fire is that matches, the fire evidently beginning at the match box. The damage to stock and building was about covered by insurance.

Another small fire occurred on Thursday when the smokehouse of Mayor George P. Adams burned to the ground.

PROMINENT MEN DIE.

There have been two deaths of prominent citizens of this county this week, both occurring on Monday. The former was that of Mr. Edwin C. Epps, a gallant Confederate soldier, and had served a term several years ago as county treasurer. His kind nature and genial hospitality were known far and near. Being fond of hunting and a crack shot, even in his latter years, his home was often the scene of hunting parties, composed of local friends, and often those from a distance.

The second death was that of Mr. W. A. Dupuy, another Confederate veteran and prominent tobaccoist of this place. His death occurred at the Memorial Hospital, in Richmond, where he went several weeks ago to have an operation performed. He was a man of the highest integrity, and his advice was often sought and as often followed, all knowing the honesty of purpose and deliberation in forming his opinions.

LAST TERMS.

At the recent and last terms of the County Courts of both Nottoway and Lunenburg counties there was a meeting of the bar and officers of the courts, at which times resolutions were passed at the retirement of Judge Goodwyn, of the former county, and Judge Organ, of the latter. Both of these gentlemen will resume the practice of law.

There were twenty deeds of bargain and sale of real estate recorded in the clerk's office of Nottoway county during the month of December. This is somewhat the average for the month during the past year, and shows how active these transfers have been in this section.

Rev. E. H. Dickinson, who for the past eighteen months has been pastor of the Lake Church, in the place has tendered his resignation and accepted the assistant rectorship of St. Peter's, in Baltimore. He left for his new field to-day.

TRADE BANQUET.

Representatives of Business Interests at Blackstone Meet.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) BLACKSTONE, VA., Jan. 16.—A banquet was given by the Tobacco Board of Trade at the Hotel Blackstone. Covers were laid for forty, and every seat was filled. Each member of the board was privileged to invite one friend, and no invitations were declined.

The banquet was a most successful one, while the later refreshments were in keeping with the occasion. Games of all kinds were also provided, which proved very entertaining, and the committee of arrangements had been highly complimentary at their success.

The regular toast embraced six numbers, and were as follows:

Welcome—Mr. Samuel Hurt, of the Tobacco Board of Trade.

Response—Mr. J. M. Hurt, president of the Business Men's Board of Trade.

The Commercial Position of Blackstone—Captain J. M. Harris.

Blackstone as a Financial Point—Mr. Irby Moncure, of the Farmers Bank.

Blackstone as a Tobacco Market—Mr. Samuel Hurt.

The Growth of the Town and the Opportunities it Offers for Investments—Mr. W. A. Land.

There were also other responses not on the regular programme, different gentlemen being called upon to make a few important remarks.

The result of this social gathering of the different business interests around the festive board will result in more closely cementing the general interests of the town, and being about a more thorough co-operation of all lines in its up-building.

ONANCOCK FROZEN IN.

New Bank to Begin Business at Onley—The Jordan Bill.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) ONANCOCK, VA., Jan. 16.—No later than has arrived here from Baltimore for two weeks on account of ice, and the outlook is not encouraging.

The steamer Accomac, of the Virginia oyster force, has been frozen up in this harbor since Christmas.

The residence of late Dr. Charles L. Harrison, on Main Street, was sold recently to Upshur G. Hargis for \$3,500.

The Comptroller of the Currency has approved the application for the establishment of the Farmers and Merchants National Bank at Onley, with a capital of \$25,000. Messrs. John S. Parsons, Lloyd T. Savage, W. A. Barton, Dr. John W. Ayres, John W. Mayers and John W. Edmonds have come to Lynchburg to-day and announced himself the husband of Mrs. Elsie Noll, the beautiful young woman who committed suicide here yesterday morning. He purchased a casket and a grave in the Presbyterian Cemetery for her interment.

RICHMOND MAN CLAIMS THE SUICIDE

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) LYNCHBURG, VA., Jan. 16.—Frank Noll, of Richmond, came to Lynchburg to-day and announced himself the husband of Mrs. Elsie Noll, the beautiful young woman who committed suicide here yesterday morning. He purchased a casket and a grave in the Presbyterian Cemetery for her interment.

Wedding Cards.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) MANASSAS, VA., Jan. 16.—Cards are out announcing the marriage next Thursday of Mr. J. L. Beverley Hutchison, son of Mr. Westwood Hutchison, of this place, and Miss Beulah Barker, of Dover, Delaware.

## More Tempting Inducements.

We Have Planned for Another Busy Week.

THIS WEEK WE ARE GOING TO REDUCE OUR STOCK OF

Medium Price Suits and Overcoats—Those That Sold from \$12.50 to \$15.00—

AT THE ORIGINAL PRICES. THEY WERE THE BEST VALUES OBTAINABLE at the reduced Prices—THEIR WORTH IS JUST AS GREAT—but our desire to reduce our Stock before Inventory—SHATTERS THE PRICES—

So, Beginning To-Morrow Morning—

Take your choice of

Hundreds of Suits and Overcoats

That Sold at \$12.50, \$13.50 and \$15.00

for \$8.90 Eight-Ninety \$8.90 each.

The exclusiveness of our Styles and the high Character of our Clothing makes this an exceptional offering.

Gans-Rady Company

## TRUST CO. OFFICERS

Judge Purnell Discusses Petition of Creditors of Druggist Who Sold Out and Left.

THE WESTERN UNION CASE

Corporation Commission Deny Any Responsibility for Levying or Collecting Taxes.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

RALPHIGH, N. C., Jan. 16.—At the annual meeting of the stockholders and directors of the Carolina Trust Company last night, W. W. Mills declined re-election as president because of the great amount of other business requiring his attention, and his brother, Mr. John A. Mills, was elected in his stead. The new president is one of the foremost business men of the city, being also president of the Raleigh and Cape Fear Railroad Company.

PETITION DISMISSED.

Judge Purnell issues an order dismissing the petition of creditors for W. E. Gwaltney to be declared a bankrupt. Gwaltney ran a drug store here and sold his stock in a lump to a Spartanburg, S. C., wholesale drug house, leaving his creditors here in the lurch. He left town the day before the bill of sale was filed, and is now in South Dakota.

The North Carolina Corporation Commission will in answering the subpoena on them in the injunction proceedings by the Western Union Telegraph Company against the State treasurer and the commission to prevent the collection of the tax, and they are in no way connected with levying or the collection of the tax, and that the State treasurer is acting not on their order, but in obedience to the statute enacted by the Legislature. The commission expect to get out of his case at once on this ground.

MANY TRUE BILLS.

In the Superior Court here to-day the grand jury returned true bills against forty-five citizens of Raleigh for failure to list for taxes during the past two years. Most of the bills are against well known young men.

Rev. W. E. Cave, D. D., arrived last night from Paducah, Ky., to assume the pastorate of the First Presbyterian Church. He was called and accepted the office, but lost his wife about the time he was to have come to take charge of the church. He has been in very bad health himself since that time.

Will Harris was found not guilty of stealing a fence rail from James F. Cain, this being by odds the most trivial case ever tried in the Superior Court here.

Finishing Mills.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) GREENSBORO, N. C., Jan. 16.—The finishing mills here have found it necessary to increase its storage capacity, and a contract has been let for the erection of two additional storage warehouses. These mills are running now on a day and night schedule, and a large force of employees is required. The operatives at these mills are of a different class from those at the cotton factories, requiring more clerical and mercantile education and experience. Cotton goods are shipped to these mills in large quantities in car load lots to have the "finishing" or gloss put on them.

Captain Eubank's Funeral.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) SUMMITT, VA., Jan. 16.—In the presence of a large concourse of sorrowing friends and the grief-stricken family, the remains of C. Leslie Eubank, of Richmond, were laid to rest in the family burying ground near here to-day, and the Rev. Mr. Hudson, of Richmond, conducted the services.

Many friends accompanied the remains from the city.

He was in his twenty-ninth year, and

is survived by a wife and child, the latter only eighteen months old.

Mr. Eubank was a conductor on the Richmond, Fredericksburg and Potomac Railroad.

A few days since he was thrown from the platform of his caboose at Accra by the violent application of the air brakes, and sustained injuries which necessitated the amputation of one leg near the hip as a last attempt to preserve his life.

NEW MAIL ROUTE. Monterey to Have Hack Line to Durbin, W. Va.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) MONTEREY, VA., Jan. 16.—The Post-office Department has virtually granted the petition asking for mail service between Monterey and Durbin, W. Va., now the nearest station, and Mr. C. W. Trimble, merchant, will have the contract for performing the service.

The route is a new one and a very hard one during the winter months, but it is of great importance to Monterey people. Mr. Trimble will make it a hack line, and service will commence February 1st.

PEOPLES TO HANG.

The Jury Unanimous for the Death Penalty.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) WYTHEVILLE, VA., Jan. 16.—This afternoon the jury in the Chesley Peoples murder case brought in a verdict of guilty, with a penalty of death. Commonwealth's Attorney Houser closed the argument in the morning session. The jury was unanimous from the start for the death penalty. The attorneys for the de-

fense moved a new trial, and Judge Fulton set Thursday next for hearing argument on the motion. It must be admitted that the verdict gives general satisfaction.

Peoples killed John Seagle after a quarrel in the early part of December. On Monday the expiring County Court will take up several cases, and then the cases against Mrs. Elvira Burchett and U. S. McGlammy for the murder of Robert Burchett will be called. It is believed these will go over to the new court.

BUCKLAND BURNS. Old Home of Col. James Willcox Entirely Destroyed.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) WESTOVER, VA., Jan. 16.—The dwelling house at "Buckland," the home for many years of Colonel James Willcox, and occupied by his widow and son, Edward Willcox, was totally destroyed by fire about 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon. Originally on the roof, it was out of reach for fighting it properly, and only a small portion of the personal property was saved.

Mrs. V. P. Veach.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) SUFFOLK, VA., Jan. 16.—After an illness of only a few hours, Mrs. Virginia Pearl Veach, of Norfolk, daughter of the late Rev. Edwin W. Beale, died in Suffolk last before 10 o'clock this morning, aged thirty years. Mrs. Veach was here visiting a sister, and was taken ill early this morning. It was sought to have her husband, L. H. Veach, of Norfolk, by her side before death came, and he was wired, but arrived just after his wife had breathed her last. Mrs. Veach is survived by a mother, five sisters and a brother.

## Another Money Saving Opportunity

Now's the time. We have many short lots that we must get rid of and some full lots that we wish to thin out. In order to make a quick disposal of them, we have hucked the prices and taken some pretty big chunks off of them, too, in some instances it is even half. Here's the idea:

On all Hats, you get a clean and clear discount of 50 per cent.

We have taken 33 1-3 per cent. off of all Furs, Cloaks and Suits.

Ladies' Waist Special.

We have a lot of Ladies' Waists in mercerized satteens, French flannels, etc., and not one of them worth less than \$1, and some worth double that. To close 'em out

48c

Some new arrivals in Black

mercerized Satteens, and a \$1.00

very special value, each

A lot of Ladies' Undershirts, in

black satteens; these also to go at

\$1. They are worth much more

than that, though.

Our Blankets and Quilts

Also show signs of the pruning knife. There is not resemblance at all between what they originally sold for and the present prices. Our motive in making such big reductions is prompted by our desire to clean them out quickly.

All Wool White Leeksville Blankets,

of the \$1.50 grade, \$3.00

special price

A small lot of the Blankets you

usually paid \$4 for, to

go at \$4.75

A Blanket that sold for \$3.98

\$5, size 11-1, to go at,

\$3.98

An extra Quilt, was an excel-

lent value at \$1.50;

to go at \$1.00

An extra good reversible Quilt

that's worth \$3, to go at \$2.25

at

A Special Umbrella

Purchase

Enables us to offer you the best value ever heard of at the price. These Umbrellas are as good as you have often paid double for. The lot is small and likely to move quickly. The price to you

50c

15

Odds and Ends.

A lot of Tam O'Shanter hats

sold for 50c, to go

25c

A lot of Fascinator Shawls, worth

a good deal more than we

ask

25c

An extra value in Turkish

Towels

25c

Children's No-Mend Hose, the

best and most serviceable

on the market

25c

A lot of Men's 50c, Negligee

Shirts, at

39c

Men's Red Shirts and Drawers,

in heavy weight, per gar-

ment

29c

A lot of Boys' Caps, to go,

each

10c

A lot of Ladies' Ribbed Shirts

and Drawers, to go, per gar-

ment

25c

Men's extra heavy Woolen

Socks, per pair

25c

W. A. Cheatwood,  
1509-11-13 East Main Street.

## HOSTETTER'S Stomach Bitters INDUCES RESTFUL SLEEP.

You cannot expect to be strong and vigorous if you are unable to sleep. You get up feeling miserable, have severe headaches, nerves are unstrung, appetite's poor and life seems a burden. The trouble lies in the stomach, and you ought to take Hostetter's Stomach Bitters at once. It will restore your stomach to its normal condition, steady the nerves, stimulate the liver and kidneys, and induce restful sleep. Then you'll feel better. It will also cure BELCHING, FLATULENCY, INDIGESTION, DYSPEPSIA, NAUSEA, HEARTBURN, CONSTIPATION, BILIOUSNESS, OR MALARIA, FEVER AND AGUE. We urge you to try a bottle, but beware of imitations or counterfeits.

MR. W. A. CARSON, ALBION, NEB., says: "I was troubled with Constipation and Biliousness, and was very restless at night. Your Bitters promptly cured me."

MR. JAS. D. SMITH, HERKIMER, CAN., says: "I suffered from Malaria and my doctor advised me to use your Bitters. I did so and now I feel like a new man."

THE GENUINE HAS OUR PRIVATE STAMP OVER THE NECK OF THE BOTTLE.